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## Discussion Questions – Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego Read Daniel 1 (The Kings Food)

- Who are the major characters in this chapter?
  - Who is Ashpenaz? [chief of the eunuchs]
    - Melzar? [the steward to Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego]
    - Belteshazzar? [the name means "protect his life." The chief eunuch named Daniel, Belteshazzar.]
    - Hananiah? [name given to Shadrach]
    - Mishael? [name given to Meshach]
    - Azariah? [name given to Abed-nego]
    - Jehoiakim? [king of Judah]
    - Nebuchadnezzar? [king of Babylon]
- What kind of food did the King want the Children of Israel to eat?
- Why wouldn't Daniel and his friends eat the king's food?
  - o Would you have rejected eating the food fit for a king?
  - o What food did they want to eat?
  - What is pulse? [Some Bible dictionaries claim it is vegetables; beans and legumes; or meal and legumes (peas, beans and lentils). The Hebrews were insistent about abiding by Jewish dietary laws.]
    - Would that mean Daniel and his friends were vegetarians?
    - Why was pulse better than the king's meat?
    - What is the purpose of a diet?
- Think about what God supplied people with when they needed to be fed.
  - o What does that say about what we all eat today?
  - o How many foods are in the Bible?

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